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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: RH, UK, PDEV

SUBJECT: RHODESIA: INFORMING FRONT LINE AND PF OF PRETORIA  
AND SALISBURY TALKS

REF: STATE 101529, STATE 104864

1. FOR LONDON: GIVEN STATEMENT BY SALISBURY EXECUTIVE  
COUNCIL ASSERTING THAT AN ALL-PARTIES MEETING WOULD BE  
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DOOMED TO FAILURE, DEPT REQUESTS EMBASSY LONDON INFORM  
FCO THAT WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD AMEND TALKING POINTS IN  
REFTEL (SEE PARA 3 BELOW). IF FCO AGREES TO AMENDMENTS,  
EMBASSY LONDON SHOULD INFORM ACTION POSTS, SO THAT THEY  
MAY PROCEED WITH APPROACHES. EMBASSY LONDON SHOULD USE  
ITS DISCRETION ON ACCEPTING MINOR CHANGES. MAJOR REVISIONS  
SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

2. FOR LUSAKA, LAGOS, GABORONE, MAPUTO, DAR ES SALAAM:  
IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY MADE APPROACH TO HOST GOVERNMENTS  
AND PF REQUESTED REFTELS, YOU AND YOUR BRITISH COLLEAGUES  
SHOULD HOLD UP UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM  
FCO AND US EMBASSY, LONDON.

3. WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO TALKING POINTS:  
TALKING POINT I (EYE) SHOULD READ: AT THE CONCLUSION OF

THE MEETING THE SALISBURY GROUP PROMISED TO GIVE MATURE  
CONSIDERATION TO THE UK/US SUGGESTION THAT THEY ATTEND  
A ROUND TABLE MEETING. ON APRIL 25 THE EXECUTIVE  
COUNCIL ISSUED A STATEMENT ASSERTING THAT AN ALL-PARTIES  
MEETING WOULD, LIKE THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, BE DOOMED TO  
FAILURE.

ADD TALKING POINT J: WE DO NOT VIEW THE SALISBURY  
STATEMENT AS A CATEGORIC REJECTION OF ITS PARTICIPATION  
IN AN ALL-PARTIES MEETING. WE WILL CONTINUE CONTACTS  
WITH ALL OF THE PARTIES TO DEFINE FURTHER THE ISSUES  
WHICH COULD BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH A MEETING, AND, IN  
DOING SO, INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ITS SUCCESS.

ADD TALKING POINT K: WE BELIEVE THAT A NEGOTIATED  
SETTLEMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED AND THAT ANOTHER MEETING IS  
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NOT DESTINED TO FAIL. THERE IS MUCH THAT ALL THE  
PARTIES AGREE UPON; MAJORITY RULE, UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE,  
PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS. WE ARE PREPARED TO  
CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO BROADEN THE AREAS OF AGREEMENT  
AMONG THE PARTIES.

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